

Appl. No. 10/055,499
Amdt. dated March 22, 2007
Reply to Office action of February 23, 2007

REMARKS

Please enter this Preliminary Amendment for the above-referenced application.

5 Claims 281-370 are pending; Claims 281, 283, 295, 305, 309, 317-319, 325, 340,
352 and 364 are currently amended; Claims 1-280 are canceled.

 In the subject office action, applicant was required under 35 U.S.C. 121
to elect a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits to which the claims shall be
10 restricted if no generic claim is finally held to be allowable.

The species stated are:

 Species 1: Figs. 1-1I;
15 Species 2: Figs. 2A-2E;
 Species 3: Figs. 3A-3C
 Species 4: Figs. 4A-4I
 Species 5: Figs. 5A-5E

20 Species 1 recited by the Examiner seems to be unclear. Species 1 is supposed to
include Figs. 1A-1I.

 Applicant provisionally elects to have examined the species described by the
Examiner as Species 1, which reads on Claims 281-370. The passive devices shown in
25 Figs. 6, 7, 9A, 9B, 10A, 10B, 11A, 11B and 11C may be simultaneously formed during
fabricating a chip package using one of the five embodiments shown in Figs. 1A-1I,
2A-2E, 3A-3C, 4A-4I and 5A-5E. The process combining Figs. 1A-1I and a passive
device is supposed to be incorporated in Species 1.

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This election is made with traverse of the requirement under 37 C.F.R. 1.143 for the reasons given in the following paragraphs.

5 The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider the Requirement for Election of Species given in the Office Action, because of the increased costs applicant would be forced to bear if the multiple species are separately examined. Furthermore, the field of search must necessarily cover all species, in addition to other related Classes and subclasses, to provide a complete and adequate search.

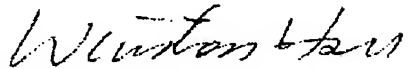
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 Withdrawal of the Election of Species Requirement, and allowance of the present Patent Application, is therefore respectfully requested.

 Some or all of the pending claims are believed to be in condition for Allowance,
15 and that is so requested. Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

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